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URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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PREPARATION OF MAPS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Union Government have asked to the State Governments to complete the work of preparing maps of urban areas;

(b): if so, the norms recommended by the Union Government for this work; and

(c): the steps taken by the State Governments so far in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION

(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)to(c): No such instructions have been issued to the State Governments.

However an Urban Mapping Scheme was taken up by the Government of India during the 8th Five Year Plan period on a pilot basis to cover 50 towns in two phases of 25 towns each with the broad objective of generating large sale urban maps for Geographical Information System aplications and for developing technical capabilities of the Town Planning Organisations at the Central and State levels. In the first phase, 25 towns were selected from 6 States. The work of aerial photography and mapping was assigned to the National Remote Sensing Agency

(NRSA).
In the second phase, during the 9th Five Year Plan, 28 towns have been identified in consultation with the State Governments. Of these, work or 13 towns has been assigned to NRSA. The names of towns covered in phase I and II are indicated in Annexure.

All the maps generated under the scheme under first phase have been sent to the respective State Town Planning Departments for their use not only updating Master Plans but also for use by various utility agencies.